



Substitute House Bill No. 6184

Public Act No. 05-55

AN ACT CONCERNING RENEWAL OF LAPSED PARAMEDIC LICENSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 19a-179 of the general statutes is amended by adding subsections (c) to (e), inclusive, as follows (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

(NEW) (c) The commissioner may issue a temporary emergency medical technician certificate to an applicant who presents evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that (1) the applicant was certified by the department as an emergency medical technician prior to becoming licensed as a paramedic pursuant to section 20-206ll, and (2) the applicant's certification as an emergency medical technician has expired and the applicant's license as a paramedic has become void pursuant to section 19a-88 of the general statutes. Such temporary certificate shall be valid for a period not to exceed one year and shall not be renewable.

(NEW) (d) An applicant who is issued a temporary emergency medical technician certificate pursuant to subsection (c) of this section may, prior to the expiration of such temporary certificate, apply to the department for:

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(1) Renewal of such person's paramedic license, giving such person's name in full, such person's residence and business address and such other information as the department requests, provided the application for license renewal is accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant was under the medical control of a sponsor hospital on the date the applicant's paramedic license became void for nonrenewal; or

(2) Recertification as an emergency medical technician, provided the application for recertification is accompanied by evidence satisfactory to the commissioner that the applicant completed emergency medical technician refresher training approved by the commissioner not later than one year after issuance of the temporary emergency medical technician certificate. The department shall recertify such person as an emergency medical technician without the examination required for initial certification specified in regulations adopted by the commissioner pursuant to this section.

(NEW) (e) For purposes of subsection (d) of this section, "medical control" means the active surveillance by physicians of mobile intensive care sufficient for the assessment of overall practice levels, as defined by state-wide protocols, and "sponsor hospital" means a hospital that has agreed to maintain staff for the provision of medical control, supervision and direction to an emergency medical service organization, as defined in section 19a-175, and its personnel and has been approved for such activity by the Office of Emergency Medical Services.

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